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TO VISIT DEMING

Kansas City Commercial
Club Will Visit Our
Town in May.

FARMERS WILL
MEET THEM

A Large List of Representative
Farmers Have Been Notified and
Will Meet Them at the Train.

Letters have been sent out to various parts of the southwest by O. L. Chase, of the Kansas City Commercial Club, stating that a special train will leave Kansas City on May 12 for a trade extension trip through the southwest. This train will bring a large number of the leading business men of Kansas City and will be in Deming May 16th. Mr. Chase says:

"As this will be a very fine train it will be quite an interesting sight, and will have on board a large number of the leading business men of Kansas City, and we think it will be an interesting occasion for the neighboring farmers as well as your city people."

Arrangements are being made to notify the following farmers and it is hoped that they will be on hand to receive the visitors and it has been suggested that a farmers' institute be held that day in order to give a better opportunity for discussing our interests with these gentlemen:

Joseph Mahoney, Edw. Pennington, A. W. Pollard, J. W. Hannigan, B. A. Knowels, Rodney Clark, J. S. Fielder, Thomas Rabb, J. A. Watkins, P. R. Smith, Henry Brock, P. T. Williams, John Corbett, S. S. Birchfield, W. M. Taylor, W. C. Wallis, Leon Godehaux, Ralph Ely, Robert Miller, A. O. Bailey, N. A. Bolich, A. J. Clark, Seaman Field, W. G. Rochester, B. Y. McKeyes.

LOCATION BEING SURVEYED.

Engineers of the Alamo-Des Moines Cutoff Were in Town.

Last Friday afternoon the engineers of the Alamo-Des Moines cutoff drove in from a few miles east of town and spent a few hours purchasing supplies and taking in the town. They will soon be through with the permanent location of the line and it is confidently expected that work will begin very soon on the actual construction of the line.

Very little has been said about this road and for the short time since the first survey of the route was made the work has been pushed rapidly and quietly, showing that the company are in earnest about the work and that they intend to get the road in operation as soon as possible.

The completion of this road will mean a great deal to Deming as it will place us on another through line to the east and give us a direct route to Kansas City and Chicago over a single road without change.

Death's Summons.

Thos. C. Hall, one of Sierra county's leading citizens, and probate clerk for that county since 1892, died very suddenly last Monday morning.

Mr. Hall was one of the standbys of Sierra county and was well known and respected all over the southern part of the territory and the news of his death brings sorrow to the hearts of all.

About Celery.

C. H. Campbell made a sale a day or two since of his two-acre row of celery, which, if it realizes present ex-

pectations, will net \$3,000.—Kansas City Packer.

With the soil, climate and everything favorable for raising this crop, and knowing that celery grows to perfection here, why not raise it in quantities to warrant shipment in car lots? For profit no better crop could be raised and the market is accessible.—Tularosa Democrat.

We realize the importance of your question, Democrat, and thoroughly appreciate your statement. No sweeter, brittle, nor more palatable celery was ever produced in Michigan than grows right here in southern New Mexico. The finest growth and the most deliciously flavored celery the writer ever saw, grew at Spring ranch, Lincoln county. Roswell farmers are producing celery at splendid profits and all New Mexico can do the same thing. It is a profitable business.—White Oaks Eagle.

New Hotel.

The Victoria hotel which John M. Cain has just opened up in the new Clark building is now open and ready for business, and with the fine airy rooms, new furnishings, electric lights and every convenience found in a first class hotel it fills a long felt want in our town, and will be a great convenience to strangers coming to our city who want first class accommodations at reasonable prices. The success of the undertaking is assured as Mr. Cain is an energetic business man who will look carefully to the comfort of his guests and every customer will be an advertiser of the house.

SEEN FROM A WATER TANK

Short Paragraphs of Railway Doings Gathered From Various Sources.

Two cars of soldiers came in from the west on the S. P. Saturday and took the Santa Fe for the east the same evening.

John Warren has given up his position here and accepted a better one with the same Co. at Steins Pass.

Mr. Reynolds, S. P. yard master has been on the sick list several days and Bud Hughes is filling his important office.

A. Whitehead is taking a layoff for a while to take a trip east.

Mr. Leland has taken the position vacated by Mr. Rogers.

A. E. Rogers who formerly was in the employ of Wells, Fargo express Co. has resigned to accept a better position with the E. P. & S. W.

D. Slinbrough, check clerk on the El Paso & Southwestern left Thursday for Douglas Arizona where he has a better position.

D. W. Cain is acting as check clerk for the El Paso and Southwestern this week.

Bud Hughes has resigned his position with the Santa Fe and gone to work for the S. P.

Messenger Davis left for Douglas Arizona Saturday looking for employment.

J. L. Knight has accepted a position as car repairer in the Santa Fe yards.

Greek Met Greek.

Last Sunday being an off day in which no game was arranged with outside clubs the Yellow Kids and the newly organized home club, known as the Deming Colts played an exhibition game at McCoy athletic park. The following is the lineup of both teams:

| KIDS. | | COLTS. |
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| Keith | c | Hodgson |
| Markstout | p | Fiscaro |
| Raithel | 1b | Holtkamp |
| Holtkamp | 2b | Darling |
| Hughes | 3b | Wamel |
| Lawhon | ss | Verndin |
| Byron | lf | Dominges |
| Nordhaus | cf | DeLacy |
| Williams | rf | Moor |

The game was close up to the fourth inning when the score stood three to four in favor of the old nine, after that they gained steadily until the finish, when the score was fourteen to six in their favor.

Rev. Marcial Serna, of Albuquerque, was in our town last Friday and held services in the Spanish Methodist church that afternoon and evening.

YOUNG PEOPLES' RALLY.

Rev. C. E. B. Ward Gave a Most Interesting Address to a Large Audience.

Last Friday night the Rev. C. E. B. Ward, Field Secretary of the Christian Endeavor Union of Colorado, gave a most interesting address in the Presbyterian church. He took for his subject "The Deepening of the Spiritual Life and its Effect on Christian Service." He emphasized the great necessity of a truer and deeper realization of the divine presence. Discussing the question of service he urged that every Young Peoples' society have a good citizenship committee. The object of this committee was to study the laws of the country, especially those of our territory and town, to see what laws were on the statute books. He urged this as a feature that would be attractive to young men and women who were interested in the welfare of the state. He spoke of the present day boy and how he should be dealt with, and illustrated by referring to a teacher of psychology who, in order to test the alertness of his pupils used to ask some rather abnormal questions. At one time he turned to a boy and asked quickly if he could tell the time of day by his nose. The boy replied: "No, sir; mine is not running, perhaps yours is."

It is evident that if Mr. Ward's advice was followed our young people's societies would be more vigorous and interesting. Those who took the opportunity of attending this meeting were amply repaid by the splendid address given by Mr. Ward. Silver City enjoyed the services of Mr. Ward last Sabbath and from there he goes to Santa Rita. We hope to have Mr. Ward with us again in the near future.

Signs of Prosperity.

The condition of the fraternal orders of any town or community indicate to a great extent the condition of the business interests of the town and progressiveness of the people.

When these organizations are doing well and growing in numbers it is safe to say that the community is in a prosperous condition and that the people are alive to the best interests of the place. Taking this for a guide the condition of Deming is certainly better now than ever before, as the fraternal orders are now making rapid and substantial advancement. Last Saturday evening at the regular business meeting of the A. O. U. W. 23 new members were taken into the order and a number of applications sent in for membership.

This growth is not confined to the A. O. U. W. as we are informed that other orders are in an equally prosperous and growing condition, while a new lodge of Red Men is being organized under the direction of Col. J. G. Albright with a large number of members.

Flower Carnival.

La fiesta de las flores, which will be held in Los Angeles on May 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th promises to eclipse all other efforts made in the past by the fiesta committee from the fact that President Roosevelt and his distinguished party will witness the floral parade. A most novel and spectacular feature has been added to the programme this year. For four consecutive nights, commencing Wednesday May 6th; the visitors will be treated to one long transformation scene on wheels such as never before has been presented and that is practically a creation of the 20th century.

HERE TOO.

How Real Estate Soars Without Tornado Assistance.

The Elks committee which was out yesterday looking for a site for the proposed race track found that the owners of the land this side of the hot springs hold their property at such a high figure that it is an utter impossibility to deal with them, so the committee has practically decided on a site in the southern portion of the city.

It is wonderful how the price of land near the springs soared skyward as soon as it became known that the Elks were in search of a terra firma upon

which to install a fair grounds and race track, which would, without doubt, be of immense value to the city. But it is no more than was to be expected, as it is the spirit that has retarded the growth of Las Vegas for so many years past. It is about time to experience a change, and instead of trying to retard every enterprise, endeavor to boom it along and give any worthy object a chance to succeed, and so bring outside capitalists here and make it worth their while to invest in what should, by all means, be the most progressive city of the southwest—Las Vegas.—Record.

There is a good portrayal of human nature in the above article and a word of warning to other towns as well. Many times when there began to be a demand for property in a town and sales at reasonable prices were made with ease have people, in their anxiety to make a little money, "killed the goose that laid the golden egg" by raising the price out of reason, and would-be buyers passed by and invested in other places where the prices were more reasonable. For the greater part, prices in Deming have been reasonable, and it may seem that there is no need of our sounding any warning now, but human nature is much the same everywhere and this spring the general prosperity which is sending people here in increased numbers to look for locations will be a strong incentive to people holding property to shove the price upward; to those we would say: "Be careful not to overdo the thing; better have a half loaf than to lose the whole."

THE POLICE COURT

Little Business During Past Week—Few Arrests on Minor Charges.

Business has not been particularly rushing in police matters during the past week, and the court and officers have little to do but smile on each other and hope for something to turn up. While this state of affairs may not be profitable to the officers, it speaks well for the morals of our town and is gratifying to the tax payers.

On the 22nd the four misdemeanor charges filed against Robert Herrington were dismissed at the request of the complainants and the absorbing topic will be given a rest until next court time.

Thursday morning Marshal Oglesby introduced to His Honor two natives whose watery eyes and general woe-begon appearance was sufficient to warrant a very recent engagement with the "wine when it is read." They had, the evening previous, been making matters annoying in the neighborhood of Mr. Stenson's meat market, and were run in by the officer. Before the court they promised to let the "vino" alone for a while and were given light sentences. Juan Rios paid his fine and costs, but Sylvester Doran will live at the expense of the government for ten days.

Bill, the colored porter of one of the Silver avenue saloons, was sent into court Monday by one of the soubrettes of the tenderloin district, charged with having forcibly deprived the lady of certain articles of wearing apparel. The testimony for the prosecution was not very damaging to Bill, but he went upon the witness stand himself, and did there a "round, unvarnished tale of his whole course of love," which was so convincing of truth and so damaging to himself that the court was compelled to hold him guilty, but for his honest confession he was let off with a light fine and costs, and an admonition to be more select in affairs of love.

Red Men Organize.

Messrs J. G. Albright and Lee Herman general organizers of the Improved order of Red Men in the southwest by authority of the Chiefs Great Council of the United States have succeeded in the organization of an excellent tribe in this city. The charter membership now exceeds 50 which will probably be augmented to 75 before the charter is closed. The first meeting for preliminary work was held last night at the Knights Pythias hall there being present nearly every one who signed the petition for a charter. Much interest was manifested and from present indications the Deming tribe is destined to be the prime lodge in New Mexico.

The deputy Great Inchoonee for Arizona and New Mexico, Frances M. Clute will arrive in this city about the 10th of May to institute the tribe.

RAILWAY BLAZE

A. T. & S. F. Coal Chutes
Reduced to Ashes on
Monday Forenoon.

SECOND ALARM
THE SAME DAY

The Hay Shed of Dr. Michael
Catches Fire But Prompt Action
Prevents Serious Damage.

About 11 a. m. Monday our citizens were startled by the fire alarm ringing and rushed out to witness the blaze which totally destroyed the Santa Fe coal chute. The fire was supposed to have started from sparks from an engine and so quickly did it cover the building after it was first noticed that nothing could be done to save the building, but the yard crew came at once with the switch engine and took away a string of cars standing near the chute this preventing the spread of the fire to the cars in the yard. The loss was considerable though not so great as would have been the case had there been storage bins in connection with the chutes as is the case in most places along the road. We are informed that about three cars of coal were destroyed and one coal car.

At 12:30 the alarm again sounded and investigation proved that a small barn and hay shed on the property of Dr. Michael was burning. This fire was in a position where it would have done much damage if it had started to spread to other buildings as the strong southwest wind would have driven it into a thickly settled district but the prompt and effective work of the fire department under the direction of chief Chester soon brought it into subjection and the damage was comparatively small.

BACK TO CHICAGO.

After a Stay of a Month at Faywood, Dr. Connor En Route Home.

Dr. R. F. Connor, a prominent osteopath of Chicago, after a month's sojourn at Faywood hot springs in Grant county came in from the south this morning and between trains was a pleasant caller at the Citizen office. The doctor goes home thoroughly rejuvenated in health and ready to encounter again his big practice. He informed the Citizen that Manager McDermott intends to beautify the hotel plaza by the planting of trees, shrubbery and the sowing of grass, and will also erect a telephone line to connect the resort with a nearby station on the Santa Fe railway.

"Another move in contemplation by Manager McDermott," said the doctor, "is that guests stopping at the hotel can, in a very short time, purchase railroad tickets at the hotel and have their baggage checked to all points, thus saving guests the annoyance of rechecking and securing tickets at regular railway stations." Dr. Connor says that J. H. Tracy who was at Faywood for rheumatism and disordered liver, has returned to his home at Deming practically a well man. Faywood had quite a list of guests last month.—Albuquerque Citizen.

Adios.

Next Sabbath day the Rev. W. J. MacBean will conclude his ministry in Deming. For years he ministered faithfully to the congregation of the First Presbyterian Church and much regret is expressed at his departure. It is hoped that a large congregation will be present next Sabbath to bid farewell to the pastor.